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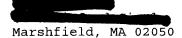
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Investigation of the intelligence used to justify the Iraq Military Action



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The Honorable William Delahunt U.S. House of Representatives 1317 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515-2110

## Dear Representative Delahunt:

Congressman Delahunt: You may receive too many e-mails on too many subjects. However, I hope that you will give this one some thought. As a Viet vet (1967-1968), any military action should be justified and based not on the best intelligence available but on sound and objective fact. That does not appear to be the case for the military action taken against Iraq in 03/2003 and continuing. There appear to be no "weapons of mass destruction" and certainly the idea of Iraq obtaining nuclear material( 'yellow cake or whatever' ) is quite dubious. AMB Wilson's trip in 2002 seems to have put the lie to that line. A full scale Congressional investigation of the intelligence gathered, how it was interpreted, and the influence placed on intelligence analysts by the White House (if there was any and that needs to be shown) must be undertaken. This nation can not shy away from finding out why we invaded a country that appears now to have been no threat directly or indirectly to us. Preemptive war which is what this action seems to mimick was perfected by Imperial Japan ( Pearl Harbor ) and by Nazi Germany ( the invasion of Poland). The war crimes trials of 1946-47 called this 'waging aggressive war'. No President should get a 'buy' on this type of action. As President, George Bush is accountable and responsible for what this nation does to others. He can't and should not be allowed to plead ignorance or to having hired poor advisors. Some 200 American soldiers and unknown thousands of Iraqis are dead. For what?? Humanitarian intervention was not the reason for this war, but seems to have become the reason. For Bush the war was personalized. Constant harping about Saddam did not and can't justify what WE DID. You and your colleagues must investigate and discover the reasons for this action.

Sincerely,